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FOR: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING CATALYST FOR METHACRYLIC ACID
PRODUCTION, CATALYST FOR METHACRYLIC ACID PRODUCTION,
AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING METHACRYLIC ACID

RESTRICTION RESPONSE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 11, 2008, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 1-3 (drawn to a method for producing a catalyst), for examination.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.